LDS and Data Acronyms
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Acronym	Name	Description	Link
ACCESS for ELL	Assessing Comprehension and Communication in English for English Language Learners		http://dpi.wi.gov/oea/access.html
ADA	Average Daily Attendance	The aggregate days of attendance during a given reporting period (typically a school year) divided by the number of days school is in session during that period.	
ADM	Average Daily Membership	The aggregate days of membership (resident enrollment including home schooled adjusted for FTE) during a given reporting period (typically a school year) divided by the number of days school is in session during that period.	
AYP	Adequate Yearly Progress	Annual report for NCLB.	
CBC	Competency Based Credit	Credit based on the competency level and/or proficiency level achieved.	
CESA	Cooperative Education Service Agency	12 regional agencies created by the legislature to serve educational needs in all areas of Wisconsin by serving as a link between school districts and between school districts and the state. Cooperative Educational Service Agencies may facilitate communication and cooperation among all public and private schools, agencies, and organizations that provide services to pupils.	
CTEERS	Career and Technical Education Enrollment Reporting System	The two reports that basic grant participating districts are required to submit are the Composite Enrollment Report and the Graduate Follow-up Report. The Composite Enrollment Report is	http://dpi.wi.gov/cte/pdf/fm2004.pdf

		due on or before July 15 with the Follow-up Report being due May 1 of the year following.	
CWCS	Course Work Completion System	A web application to allow the public school and/or district staff to report coursework information via online entry and/or batch processing necessary to associate teachers to courses, courses to students, and students to completion data.	
CW1	Coursework Collection 1	Generally intended to gather 1st & 2nd quarter, 1st semester and 1st trimester term data.	
CW2	Coursework Collection 2	Generally intended to gather 3rd & 4th quarter, 2nd semester, 2nd & 3rd trimester, and annual term data.	
CW3	Coursework Collection 3	Generally intended to gather summer school data.	
EDEN	Education Data Exchange Network	Reporting for the Dept of Ed.	http://dpi.wi.gov/lbstat/dataeden.html
ELL	English Language Learner		
ESEA	Elementary and Secondary Education Act		http://dpi.wi.gov/lbstat/dm-eseadata.html
GOALS	Growth Oriented Achievement Learning System	The GOALS application will enable reporting of student academic growth data utilizing the student growth percentiles method This application will be used as the method for **reporting/visualizing** student academic growth that • Is engaging, accessible, and easily understood by a variety of users • Is available in an interactive format that allows users to explore the data as needed	http://dpi.wi.gov/lds/projects.html#MSAG http://dpi.wi.gov/oea/growth.html
GRT	General Research Tape	Incoming file name of WKCE and WAA-SwD data.	

IEP	Individualized Education Plan	A written statement for each child with a disability that is developed, reviewed, and revised in a meeting in accordance with ss. 300.321-300.324.	
ISES	Individual Student Enrollment System	The ISES collections each happen once a year.	http://dpi.wi.gov/lbstat/isesapp.html
LDS	Longitudinal Data System	An education longitudinal data system is a data system that collects and maintains detailed, high quality, student- and staff-level data that are linked across entities and over time, providing a complete academic and performance history for each student; and makes these data accessible through reporting and analysis tools. Definition Source: http://nces.ed.gov/pubs2010/2010805.pdf	http://dpi.wi.gov/lds/index.html
LDSAM	LDS Access Manager	A tool for district superintendents and their designated administrators to control users' access to their district's confidential data within LDS.	http://dpi.wi.gov/lds/ldstools.html#LDSAM
LDSDW	LDS Data Warehouse	Specifically an education longitudinal data warehouse collects data from a variety of sources at the student-level, over time and stores the data in an accessible format for reporting and analysis.	
LEP	Limited English Proficient		http://dpi.wi.gov/ell/lepdatacoll.html
NCE	Norm Curve Equivalent		
OEA	Office of Educational Accountability	Office responsible for meeting the assessment and accountability requirements of state and federal law	http://dpi.wi.gov/oea/index.html
OWB	Oracle Warehouse Builder		
NCES	National Center for	Primary federal entity for	http://nces.ed.gov/

	Education Statistics	collecting and analyzing data related to education in the U.S. and other nations. NCES is located within the U.S. Department of Education and the Institute of Education Sciences.	
NCLB	No Child Left Behind		
MDAT	Multi-Dimensional Analytic Tool	An application that allows authorized users to create reports comparing student achievement over time utilizing WKCE and other data sources. MDAT provides authorized users the capability to analyze student-level information as well as to compare to district and state averages. A training version is also available.	http://dpi.wi.gov/lds/ldstools.html#MDAT
NSC	National Student Clearinghouse	A national source of postsecondary enrollment and completion data. This dataset will be incorporated into the LDS.	http://www.studentclearinghouse.org/
P20	P20 Initiative	Efforts related to bridging data and resources between early childhood, K-12, and postsecondary education providers.	http://dpi.wi.gov/lds/projects.html#P20
	P-20 Data System	The initial scope of an Education LDS includes data from the K-12 grade levels. However, the value of an LDS increases when the data spans beyond K-12. A P20 Data System includes data from early childhood education, postsecondary education, and the workforce. A data system does not translate to one data warehouse with all data related to P20. Instead, a P-20 Data System focuses on interoperability and the ability to exchange data to answer specific questions to enable reporting and analysis.	
SAFE	Secure Access File	An application that allows	

	Exchange	authorized users to securely access confidential data files and/or reports.	
SCED	School Codes for the Exchange of Data (SCED)	For more detail refer to http://nces.ed.gov/pubSearch/pubsinfo.asp?pubid=2007341.	
SDPR	School District Performance Report	The School District Performance Reports encompass a wealth of information on school and district performance and student achievement data for the State of Wisconsin. It serves as a district's annual public school report and allows for comparisons to other districts in the same athletic conference as well as the Top 10 Enrollment Districts. Links to other accountability reports such as the Federal ESEA Report Card, Adequate Yearly Progress Reports, and Special Education District profiles are provided. This public site reports data that are redacted to protect student privacy.	http://dpi.wi.gov/spr/index.html
SGP	Student Growth Percentiles	A statistical method used to measure student growth by comparing a student's progress against students with similar test score histories.	http://dpi.wi.gov/oea/growth.html
SPI	Standards Performance Index		
WAA-SwD	Wis. Alternate Assessment for Students with Disabilities		http://dpi.wi.gov/oea/waa.html
WINSS	Wisconsin Information Network for Successful Schools	The WINSS Reports serve as an information resource to assist school communities in educating the hearts and minds of all children. Users may analyze publicly available data and produce customized reports to inform discussions among stakeholders about school system	http://dpi.wi.gov/sig/index.html

		improvement. The Standards and Assessment, Data Analysis, Continuous School Improvement and Best Practices sections guide users to key local, state and national information about success in education. This public site reports data that are redacted to protect student privacy.	
WKCE	Wisconsin Knowledge and Concepts Examination	Standardized exam for grades 3-8, 10.	http://dpi.wi.gov/oea/wkce.html
WSAS	Wisconsin Student Assessment System	Comprised of WKCE and WAA-SwD testing.	http://dpi.wi.gov/lbstat/iseswsas.html
WSLS	Wisconsin Student Number Locator System	The WSLS is used (1) to assign new Wisconsin Student Numbers (WSNs) to students entering Wisconsin Public Schools, (2) to help ensure that the WSNs stay with students as they move from school to school and district to district, (3) to update WSLS data such as when students exit a school or when data used for matching change (e.g. legal name, guardian), and (4) to correct errors in WSLS birthdates, spellings, etc. The WSNs and certain other WSLS data will be used as a starting point for Wisconsin School Performance Report, Fall Enrollment Report, and ESEA Report Card purposes.	http://dpi.wi.gov/lbstat/wslsapp.html
WSN	Wisconsin Student Number	Unique identifier for a student in a Wisconsin public school.	http://dpi.wi.gov/lbstat/datawsn.html#privacy